

Viking Impact On Europe

► People and Their Environments

1. Turn to pages 58–59 in the Atlas. Read the introduction. Then look at picture A and read its caption. Use the information to answer the following questions.
 - a. What countries make up Scandinavia? _____, _____, and _____
 - b. What skills were the Vikings known for? _____ and _____
 - c. How were Viking ships able to cross open waters? _____
 - d. How did the Vikings attack towns in Europe? _____
 - e. Where did the Vikings have settlements? _____, _____, and _____
 - f. Which group of Vikings conquered England? _____

★ People and Cultures

2. Look at map B, “Viking Raids and Settlements.” Write **D** next to each of the following statements if it describes the Danish Vikings, **N** if it describes the Norwegian Vikings, or **S** if it describes the Swedish Vikings. Some facts may describe more than one group.
 - a. Novgorod was their capital. _____
 - b. They sailed to North America. _____
 - c. They were the first to raid England. _____
 - d. They raided Ireland. _____
 - e. They raided Paris. _____
 - f. They sailed along the Volga River. _____
 - g. They looted Luna. _____
 - h. They were defeated by Byzantines. _____
 - i. They sailed along the coast of Normandy. _____
 - j. Their capital was York. _____

► History Through Maps

3. Use map C, "Norman Conquest of England," to answer the following questions.

- a. What event in England made the country vulnerable to invasion?

- b. Which group invaded England first? _____
Was this invasion from the north or the south? _____
- c. The English and Norwegian armies fought at what battle?

- d. Who won the Battle of Stamford Bridge? _____
- e. When did the English have to defend themselves against another attack?

- f. Who led the invasion against the English from the south?

- g. What is the name of the battle fought between the English and the Normans?

Who won this battle? _____
- h. What was the outcome of the Battle of Hastings?

★ Thinking About History

4. Look at picture D and read its caption. Then read the history question, "Norman who?" to answer the following questions.

- a. How did the region along the northern coast of France get to be known as Normandy? _____

- b. Who created the Bayeaux Tapestry? _____
- c. What does the Bayeaux Tapestry show us about Norman culture?

